1	*2*	*3*	*4*	*5*
8.	BIHAR	8913.79	1655.51	312.39
9.	ASSAM	40.07	9.66	0.82
10	ANDHRA PRADESH	7533.34	325.30	0.90
11	KARNATAKA	9396.72	2734.11	1571.31
12	TAMIL NADU	7584.88	0.64	1.60
13	KERALA	1.07	0.00	0.00
14	ORISSA	636.47	51.77	0.07
15	WEST BENGAL	261.95	10.12	1.37
16	NAGALAND	0.00	0.00	0.00
17	PONDICHERRY	269.03	0.00	2.66
18	GOA	197.93	0.00	0.00
	ALL INDIA	106596.84	21299.67	2491.49

Misuse of FCI-Godowns for black marketing of essential commodities

3728. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that various Food Corporation of India godowns in the country are being misused for black marketing of essential commodities;

(b) whether FCI godowns are subjected to regular Government raids;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) No, Sir.

(c) to (d) Government does not conduct raids on the FCI godowns. However, surprise inspections are conducted by the Government on the basis of complaints.

Revised Procurement Price of Wheat

3729. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI:
SHRI PARAG CHALIHA:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether procurement price of wheat has recently been revised upwards by Government to give relief to farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the justification thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) to (c) The Government have declared a Central bonus or Rs. 60/- per quintal in addition to the Minimum Support Price of Rs. 415/- per quintal for wheat procured for Central Pool during 1997-98 Rabi Marketing Season to maximise procurement. Bonus is payable on wheat offered for sale to the procurement agencies during the period from 17.3.97 to 10.6.97. The MSP of wheat in the previous Rabi Marketing Season i.e. 1996-97 was Rs. 380/- per quintal.

Production, Consumption and Import of Wheat

3730. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:
SHRI RAJNATH SINGH
'SURYA': SHRI MUKESH R. PATEL:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the wheat production per-annum in the country for the last three years;

(b) the consumption of wheat per-annum in the country during the above period;